

# FIGHT BEGUN TO SAVE LIFE OF GEORGIA WOMAN FACING NOOSE

## LAWYERS TO APPEAL SENTENCE

Base Action on Argument Years of Abuse Had Unhinged Mind.

Was the Vinson case cold-blooded murder? There is good reason to doubt that. Yet a woman is to be hanged for the deed—a crime that was the outcome of years of wedded nightmare and torture—unless there is a new trial or the governor of Georgia intercedes. Ada Patterson, noted writer, has investigated the case for The Washington Times and herewith unfolds the true picture of the tragedy.

By ADA PATTERSON.  
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ATLANTA, Ga., June 12.—Although a jury of Georgians decided that Cora Lou Vinson was guilty of the murder of her husband, another group of Georgia gentlemen have banded to try to save her life. They are three or more lawyers who will leave no stone unturned in the hard upward climb to the summit of their achievement.

Three Steps Contemplated.

There are three milestones on this climb. There is the appeal for a new trial. It will be re-enforced by numerous expeditions made by her defenders while the broken, middle-aged woman was being ground by the mills of the legal process. If the appeal for a new trial is not granted, an effort will be made to carry the case to the Supreme Court. Should this effort fail there is left an appeal for governor's clemency. That way is not an easy one.

While her lawyers bend above her, Cora Lou Vinson, a woman of 35, is a lawyer's reputation for holding that court decisions are probably right. She has a child-like faith that Georgia will not hang a woman. Like too much of woman's faith, it is based upon ignorance. For the State has hanged women. Spread upon the pages of its history is the fact that three white women have been hanged. A quarter of a century has intervened between the last of these executions and the case of Cora Lou, the gaunt Southern woman of the "Cracker" type.

State's Advance on Trial.

Has the great State moved forward into the light of a greater compassion and understanding? We shall see, for the case of Dr. Vinson's self-made widow will determine it. She shot her husband while he was running toward her with a threat of death upon his tongue and a pistol in his pocket. That fact is indisputable. In most circumstances it would be enough to acquit her. But her "husband" have done all they could to make what otherwise would be a simple situation complex. No feud is bitter than one that is possible between in-laws. By some strange law of human nature, having its root perhaps in jealousy, in-laws often regard each other as natural enemies. Three male in-laws the

## Barber's Bay Rum Is Saved by Official Ruling

By Universal Service.

The barber shop bay rum bottle has been saved from destruction. It took an opinion from the Department of Justice to salvage it.

The bay rum supply for practically the whole world was in jeopardy, because it was running counter to the American prohibition law.

The bay rum manufacturers were compounding their product with no dilution of the rum other than a small percentage of bay oil.

The question was passed up to Revenue Commissioner Blair, who put it up to Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, who passed it on to the Department of Justice. The Department has rendered an opinion that new regulations prescribed by Commissioner Blair allowing manufacture under permits with not more than 58 per cent alcohol and not less than 1.1 per cent pure bay oil will not be in violation of the prohibition law.

This saves the bay rum industry of the Virgin Islands and the bottle on the barber's shelf.

dead man's brother and nephews, testified that the tragedy was the culmination of nineteen years of wedded strife.

That can hardly be doubted in view of her story that he had treated her with great cruelty. Both gross physical cruelty and scarcely less hideous mental cruelty. That he had been notoriously unfaithful to her, so much so that the maladies resulting from his promiscuous infidelities were a menace to the health of the family. The man, a gray, woman, early aged, early saddened, fought with all her strength for a clean home and for a united family.

No Place for Lavender Water.

One does not sprinkle lavender water upon a woman who is to be hanged. Cora Lou used clear Engle and unmistakable phrases to her husband, I have no doubt. The hideous situation demanded stark speech.

No word was spoken at the trial of the frenzy in which the woman sped the bullet of death. Fear, the fear of instant death, often has caused temporary insanity. Much brooding upon imaginary wrongs has crazed men and women. Cora Lou had real wrongs to consider, and in her loneliness she must have thought often of the man who had done her wrong. She was a woman of the max of these wrongs came when, calling on him to withdraw his plea for divorce, she met another of his threats of death and saw the pistol in his coat.

His continued faithlessness and cruelty crowned by a sudden bewildering fear have led to slaying for which the slayer was held to be irresponsible. Even though no claim of insanity is made, there is established proof of sudden and complete irresponsibility.

"I did not know what I was doing," was the plea of the accused and the courts have accepted it as true.

Senator Brown Case Recalled.

It was made in the case of Mrs. Annie Bradley, who slew her lover, ex-Senator Arthur Brown of Utah, in a hotel in Washington. She had followed him from Salt Lake City to plead with him to keep his promise to marry her and legitimize their two children. The promise, oft made and oft broken, the deluded woman still hoped he might keep. She waited for him in his room in the hotel. Finding her there, he rushed upon her with threats and curses.

"I did not know what I was doing," she told a jury in Washington.

"I do not offer as a defense the unwritten law," said her lawyer, the late Judge O. W. Powers. "I will not summon that. But I maintain that such suffering woman was beside herself. She was for the moment of that crime, irresponsible."

I witnessed the trial and heard the speech which freed Mrs. Bradley.

wondered then, as I wonder now, whether a woman's frail hand may not become the unconscious instrument of Almighty Justice.

Limit to Endurance.

For there seems a border line of torture which no man may safely pass. Woman is not vindictive. She forgives and forgives and again forgives. De Maupassant exclaimed at "The ineradicable tenderness of women."

But there is a point at which nature cries to the ruthless male: "Thus far thou shalt go." If he passes that limit of endurance of torment by a woman, the woman's hand may punish him. It may even destroy him.

And the woman may cry, and truthfully:

"I did not know what I was doing."

AIRPLANE TO BOMB PESTS

IN HAMPSHIRE FORESTS

BOSTON, June 12.—An attempt to attack forestry pests from the air will be made in New Hampshire by Capt. Robert E. Kinloch flying an army airplane. From a base established at Concord, it was announced that the flier would circle Gunstock mountain and other territory in the vicinity of Lake Winnepesaukee, dropping gas bombs as he goes.

The gases are fatal to insect pests, but not harmful to humans or to vegetation, it was said. The flight will be made under the auspices of the Federal Department of Agriculture.

Bridgeport Strike Ends.

A strike of garment workers in Bridgeport, Conn., involving nearly 1,000 men has been satisfactorily adjusted. Conciliator John B. Copeys today advised the Department of Labor. The strikers asked for a \$3-a-week increase and a forty-four-hour week. Under the adjustment they will receive \$1 a week increase and a forty-five-hour week.

## SUPREME COURT DECISIONS BLOW TO POLITICIANS

Campaign Contributors Fear Rulings Against Labor Will React at Polls.

By WILLIAM HARD.  
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Mr. Jeremiah Coupan, the well-known campaign contributor, was seen today looking gloomily over the roofs of Washington from a rear terrace of the Capitol. "I foresee great weep for this city," said Mr. Coupan, when accosted by a Cosmopolitan News correspondent.

"You do?" said the correspondent. "I do," said Mr. Coupan. "I've been looking over the primary returns and trying to do something about it, but seems to be no way of stopping the momentum of all this conservatism."

"This what?"

"This conservatism," said Mr. Coupan. "For instance, I've been trying to find some one who'd go in and tell the Supreme Court to lay off for awhile from all these decisions sticking up for labor and bashing the trade unions and the farmer societies. But what do you think I find?"

"I wish to know," said the correspondent, grasping his pencil.

"Young man," said Mr. Coupan, "you will admit that there are primaries going on."

"I will," said the correspondent.

"Do you think the Supreme Court knows it?" said Mr. Coupan.

"I've never asked them," said the correspondent.

"That's what I find," said Mr. Coupan.

"I find that there's nobody in this whole town who dares to say one word to the Supreme Court to tell them what time it is. These judges are honest."

Glares at Inquisitor.

Mr. Coupan glared at the correspondent inquiringly.

"That's what I hear about them too," said the correspondent.

"I thought so," said Mr. Coupan.

"And so there are? We get them into the court for being conservative, and they got up an awful speed in their decisions, being conservative, and they're honest, and so now they're just going to keep right on down the track being conservative no matter what they do if they hit an election, what do they care? They don't have to get elected. I tell you, young man, there are great woe ahead of us because of all these things we started that we can't stop."

The court's on vacation," said the correspondent.

"I know it," said Mr. Coupan, "and it's the one bright spot in the political prospect. And you give me an idea. Why not have vacations for this Railway Labor Board, too?"

"What's the matter with them?" asked the correspondent. "Aren't they deflating the workingman?"

"They certainly are," said Mr. Coupan, "and that's what they were told to do; but who told them to deflate the workingman, my dear boy, should be deflated in months in which he is not voting. Whose idea was it to wait till we needed these railroad employees as voters, and then at just that exact time frisk their pocketbooks from them?"

Going Right Along.

"I don't think it was anybody," said the correspondent.

"Right," said Mr. Coupan, "it wasn't anybody. We start these things and then they go right on by themselves. Same way with all this efficiency and economy and firing people out of Federal departments. We started it fourteen months ago, but it just gets nicely going along about the time when the election year rolls round. Say, how many conservatives do you think we manufactured by firing old employees out of navy yards and other places without any adjusted compensation?"

"Adjusted compensation for what?" said the correspondent.

"For getting fired," said Mr. Coupan. "That's the way they look at it now. If we fired a war contractor from finishing his contract, we gave him adjusted compensation, didn't we? So now the employee thinks he ought to get some kind of adjusted compensation for getting fired. And I don't complain about it much, in odd-numbered years. But in these even-numbered years, when there have to be primaries and elections, we ought to be more careful. I'm going to stop these coal operators."

All Momentum.

"Who started them?" said the correspondent.

"That's what I mean," said Mr. Coupan. "It's all momentum. Just momentum. Two years ago we all started out to bust the life out of labor and now at just the moment when the primaries are in sight these coal operators get up so much speed that they start in trying to bust the United Mine Workers. How many conservatives do you think this strike is making among the coal miners?"

"We might ask the Geological Survey," said the correspondent.

"I know what I've done about it," said Mr. Coupan, as he started down from the terrace toward his car. "I've started a union of campaign contributors, and we're going to strike unless we get treated better. We can't have everybody else spending all his time manufacturing millions and then have us come along and be expected to manufacture them back into conservatives in a few weeks at election time. It overworks us. If we're going to be expected to produce conservative voters, we've got to have some help in between elections, or at least for a few months preceding each election."

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## KINDERGARTENERS JAZZ UP SPRING FETE



Out at Randle Highlands Public School the children gathered Friday afternoon to participate in the annual spring festival. There was folk dancing, not to mention some creditable solo dancing, and vocal and instrumental music. The above photograph shows the famous Randle Highlands Kindergarten Band in action.

## SHRINERS LAY CORNERSTONE FOR HOSPITAL

"Get Acquainted" Day at San Francisco for Nobles From All Over U. S.

By ELLIS H. MARTIN.  
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SAN FRANCISCO, June 12.—The laying of the cornerstone of the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital by Imperial Potentate Ernest A. Cutts was the chief official event to enliven the attention today of the 300,000 Shriners and visitors here to attend the forty-eighth imperial session of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

This was "get acquainted" day for the multitude who trod the hot sands from far off lands to reach the oasis of San Francisco for this greatest event in Shrinedom's colorful history.

Preparations were complete for the ushering in of the formal executive session of the order at the civic auditorium tomorrow. A parade of uniformed organizations escorted Imperial Potentate Cutts will mark the opening of the session.

Imperial Potentate Cutts will review the parade from the stands, which have been erected on streets converging on the civic center. The stands seat 40,000 persons, and it is estimated a half million people will watch the parade which will feature the balance of the week.

The most striking departure from the usual set street parades and pageants will be the Shrine historical Masonic pageant on Thursday evening. This spectacle has been modeled by artists who have blended the results of extensive historical research with the designer's and architect's skill into elaborate tableaux depicting the development of Masonry and its influence on the world's affairs from time immemorial.

Fifteen Bands Furnish Music.

There will be over forty electrically illuminated floats with over 900 people in the spectacle. Fifteen bands will furnish the music. The evening's entertainment will cost over \$35,000. From Egypt, the cradle of mysteries, where Masonic teaching was first conceived, the theme will pass to China and then to the court of King Solomon, with the historical visit of the Queen of Sheba. Dramatic incidents of the time of Cyrus will next be depicted, the dream of Constantine and the defense of the Holy Sepulchre by the ancient crusaders will furnish the inspiration for the Knights Templar. From the tavern of the Goose and Gritton, the birthplace of the Grand Lodge in England in 1717, the pageant will pass through the development of Masonry in England, thence into France, with the details surrounding the French revolution and Masonic incidents in connection with the unification of Italy under Garibaldi.

Historical Floats.

In American history the part that Masonry played in the Boston tea party, Paul Revere's ride, the death of Grand Master Jacob Warren at Bunker Hill, the drafting of the Declaration of Independence, Lafayette's part in the struggle for American liberty will all be exemplified in full form. One of the chief features will be an exact replica of the first free public school established in Virginia by George Washington. The defense of the Alamo, the foundation of the Red Cross of Clara Barton, who was a member of the Eastern Star, and the meeting of Federal and Confederate soldiers at the Masonic Lodge in Richmond in 1864 will cover that momentous period of history.

All of the pageant floats will be a few months preceding each election.

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## U. S. Has Now Become Milk-Drinking Nation

Call for Mr. Volstead!

America is fast becoming a milk-drinking nation.

In 1921 every man, woman and child in the United States consumed an average of 49 gallons of milk, or nearly a gallon a week per capita. In 1920 the per capita consumption was 43 gallons.

The Department of Agriculture has been delving into dairy farm statistics to ascertain just how much milk and cream the 25,061,000 cows produced last year, and its distribution.

Production of whole milk, which includes milk and cream for household purposes in 1921, was 45,145,000,000 pounds, 5,000,000,000 pounds in excess of 1920.

drawn by tractors, which will provide power for elaborate lighting effects.

Sitting tomorrow, the Shriners will stage an old-fashioned rodeo, and daredevil riders and wild horses have been drawn from all over the West for this feature.

In Arabian Village.

Transformed into a veritable Arabian village on the sands of the desert by the most elaborate scheme of decoration ever attempted for such an event, San Francisco yesterday welcomed the arriving Shrine josts.

Special trains have been rolling in all week and regular trains have contributed their quota. Today the height of the influx was reached and officials estimated by nightfall 100,000 Shriners and 200,000 visitors would be in the city for the week's colorful events.

No expense has been spared to make the golden jubilee the most brilliant and successful in Shrine history. More than a half million dollars have been provided for the entertainment of the visitors.

Although the imperial sessions last but three days, the festivities in connection with them will occupy an entire week. The arrival of Imperial Potentate Ernest A. Cutts on a special train today at 10 o'clock accompanied by patrols of Alee Temple, Savannah, Ga., and Al-Sabah Temple, Macon, Ga., will formally inaugurate the week's program.

Battleships There.

Joining in the civic welcome accorded the visitors, the great battleships California, Pennsylvania, Mississippi, New Mexico, Tennessee, Idaho, New York, Texas, Oklahoma and two divisions of destroyers under command of Admiral Eberle, lay at anchor in battleship row in honor of the great national gathering.

A huge Shrine emblem on the ferry building greeted the visiting Shriners, flanked by two large minarets on the Embarcadero. Huge Oriental rugs, hung between columns emblazoned in Shrine colors, formed a novel feature of the street decorations.

A series of twenty kneeling camels on pedestals with flanking banners and minarets in Oriental color, paraded the approach of the Shrine village into which the civic center park has been transformed. With the civic buildings in the background the entire center will picture a bit of Arabia. Battlemented walls and minarets in Oriental color, paraded with glittering domes, obelisks with hieroglyphic decorations, gorgeous silken canopied tents and all attendant carefully costumed will transport the visitors into Arabia.

The civic buildings flanking the park are decorated in kind. The entire frontage of the city hall has been transformed into a magnificent village into which the civic center park has been transformed. With the civic buildings in the background the entire center will picture a bit of Arabia. Battlemented walls and minarets in Oriental color, paraded with glittering domes, obelisks with hieroglyphic decorations, gorgeous silken canopied tents and all attendant carefully costumed will transport the visitors into Arabia.

Lighting Effects.

The same lighting effects which made the San Francisco exposition famous will be displayed tonight for the first time. The dome of the city hall will exhibit the same effect as the exposition tower of jewels. Groups of colored captive balloons lighted by searchlights are another night feature.

San Francisco hotels in preparation for the convention spent approximately \$1,000,000 in improvements and decorations. Because of the unusually large number of hotel accommodations were ready for all comers.

## 250 TO RECEIVE SHEEPSKINS AT CATHOLIC UNIV.

Various Exercises Planned by Both Graduates and Alumni.

Members of graduating classes, alumni and candidates for degrees will divide the interest of those attending commencement exercises of the Catholic University of America, opening Wednesday morning. Diplomats will be awarded 250, the largest number of graduates ever to leave the institution.

The lay alumni convened yesterday in their fourth annual reunion. Both they and candidates for degrees attended mass in Gibbons Hall chapel in the morning. Incoming alumni will be registered today. The first meeting of the entire association will be held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Plans for a proposed stadium in the natural amphitheater below the gymnasium will be discussed.

At 6:30 o'clock, Bishop Shahan, university rector, will tender alumni and members of the classes of 1922 a banquet.

The senior class will plant a tree in front of McMahon Hall at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, the first of a row of cedars to line the east driveway. Prior to commencement exercises Wednesday, a memorial tablet will be unveiled in honor of Catholic University students killed in the world war. Maj. Gen. Tasker Bliss will speak.

Admiral W. S. Benson will make the principal address at the Wednesday exercises. Archbishop Curley, university chancellor, will preside, and the valedictory will be delivered by Joseph F. Kelly, of Holyoke, Mass.

Of the 250 degrees to be conferred Wednesday, seventy will be given in the school of theology. The degree of A. B. will be conferred on sixty students, and the degree M. A. on thirty-nine. Twenty-seven students in the engineering department will be honored with degrees, while the degree of bachelor of laws will be given to eight law graduates. Thirteen candidates will receive the degree of doctor of philosophy. The degree of doctor of theology will be conferred on two students, and doctor of canon law on three.

Goes to Asiatic Fleet.

Rear Admiral William W. Phelps is detached from duty as chief of staff at the Naval War College at Newport, R. I., and given command of the Yangtze Kiang patrol force of the Asiatic fleet in orders made public by the Navy Department. He will succeed Rear Admiral William Bullard.

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## "Seated Sway" Dance Is Introduced At Chesapeake

The "Seated Sway," latest dance fad from New York's cabarets, has a kick equal to twenty "toddies" and thirty plain "fox trots," according to ten young couples who introduced it yesterday at Chesapeake Beach.

The couples, seated at ice cream tables in the refreshment parlor adjoining the dancing pavilion at the Beach, placed their hands on one another's shoulders and swayed rhythmically to the jazz strains.

"It sounds absurd and it looks nutty, but it's more fun than drinking cocktails," one young flapper remarked today.

"But to make it real successful, you have to throw your whole soul—and shoulders—into it."

Instead of keeping hands on shoulders all the time, as they do in New York, the Beach couples yesterday offered a new variation. On hearing the orchestra strike up "Oogie Oogie Wa Wa, Oogie Oogie Wa Wa," they began snapping their fingers and executing mild and very decorous shimmys.

During the shimmy interlude one young flapper, much overheated by the strenuous swaying, took her mind off her work long enough to gulp down three tastes of her chocolate nut fudge sundae.

Vacation days will be happy if you get The Daily and Sunday Times regularly. Let Washington's most popular paper follow you to the mountains or seashore; 95 cents a month or \$2.50 for three months.

Prices realized on Swift & Company sale of carcass beef in Washington, D. C. for week ending Saturday, June 10, on shipments sold out, ranged from 12.60 to 14.60 cents per pound and averaged 14.65 cents per pound.—Adv.

## 'TRUTH IN ADS' DRIVE GAINING, AD MEN TOLD

Associated Clubs Hold Annual Convention at Milwaukee. Membership Growing.

MILWAUKEE, June 12.—The truth-in-advertising movement of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, and especially that phase of the activities of the vigilance committee which has to do with the protection of the public against fraudulent investment schemes, is rapidly being extended into the rural sections, according to the annual report of the national vigilance committee, made public here yesterday, simultaneous with the opening of the annual convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs.

The convention opened with a great mass meeting in the Milwaukee auditorium, and will last five days, closing on Thursday with a business session. During a part of the time the delegates will be divided into groups, meeting for the discussion of problems peculiar to the various kinds of advertising.

Shows a Healthy Growth.

The advertising association, it developed through several reports made public yesterday, has enjoyed a healthy growth during the year.

The number of better business bureaus (local vigilance committees where paid secretaries handle the work) has increased from thirty to thirty-six, while the annual budgets for the support of this work have been raised from \$400,000 to \$450,000.

Protection Against Frauds.

The extension of the protective work of the committee to the rural districts is summed up as follows in the report of the National Vigilance Committee:

"Interest in the 'Before You Invest'—Investigate' movement has been fostered in many quarters. It has extended to State Farm Bureau Federations. In Ohio, where the Federation has co-operated on a practical basis with the five Bettor Business Commissions in Ohio cities and with Vigilance headquarters at New York, service has been rendered which has saved hundreds of thousands of dollars to farmers and small-town investors."

It has been proposed in Ohio that a State better business commission be formed which, through an organization in each county, and in co-operation with newspapers, banks and merchants and the Farm Bureau Federation, would reach hundreds of thousands of people outside of the large urban communities with information of protective and confidence building character.

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